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**REQUEST FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Address to:  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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Application Number: 09/398,665	Confirmation Number: 1372
Filing Date: September 17, 1999	
First Named Inventor: Karl L. GINTER, et al.	
Group Art Unit: 2132	
Examiner: DARROW, Justin T.	
Attorney Docket Number: 07451.0005-01000	
Attorney Customer Number: 22,852	

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114:** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, application must request non-entry of such amendment.

a.  Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on [Date] \_\_\_\_\_.

ii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

b.  Enclosed:

i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply	iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement
ii. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Submission of Replacement Drawings	iv. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Amendment Transmittal (incl. petition for 3-month extension of time)</u>

**2. Miscellaneous**

a.  Suspension of action on the above-mentioned application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of [number] months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)

b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Fees**

a.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-0916. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet:

i.  \$790.00 RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)

ii.  Petition for extension of time for (3 Months) \$1,020.00, please see Transmittal Letter submitted herewith

iii.  Other \$ 650.00 fee for additional claims, please see Transmittal Letter submitted herewith

b.  Check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed.

**Signature of Applicant, Attorney, or Agent Required**

Name: Andrew B. Schwaab	Reg. No.: 38,611
Signature:	Date: March 9, 2005

**Certificate of Express Mailing**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service's "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR § 1.10, in an envelope addressed to: MAIL STOP RCE, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on March 9, 2005. Express Mail Label No.: EV 606106451 US

Name: Andrew B. Schwaab	
Signature:	Date: March 9, 2005

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03 FC:1202 450.00 DA

<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s)	+\$360	
	Subtotal	\$650.00
	Reduction by ½ if small entity	N/A
	TOTAL	\$650.00

- A fee of \$650.00 to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this reply is authorized herebelow.
- A fee of \$ to cover \_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- For the extension of time and extra claims fees, please charge the amount of \$ 1,670.00 to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

The RCE fee is authorized in the RCE paper filed herewith. Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW,  
GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

Dated: March 9, 2005

By:   
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